

Greater Auburn Area Fire Safe Council

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Minutes

Date: September 20, 2019

Time: Called to order at 9:00 am

Location: City of Auburn, City Hall
1225 Lincoln Way, Room #10
Auburn CA. 95603

1. Call to Order:

Attendance: Kevin Hanley, Daniel Berlant, Danielle Hardesty, Kathy Baxter, Richard Hadley and Frank Udvarhelyi. Absent: Keri Askew Bailey, Bob Snyder.

Guests: Chief Dave Spencer, Malcolm Frost, Michael O'Shea, Jackie Caswell, Susan Roughgarden, Vuonne Lewis, Cynthia Haynes, Sheri Schackner, Kelly Reynolds, Luana Dowling, Maury Mendoza, Jane Wurst, Sharon Piello, Deline Ruud, Cindy Whitson.

2. Approval of Agenda: The agenda was approved.

3. Approval of Minutes: The 8/16/19 minutes were approved, Kevin abstained.

4. Public Comment: Residents from the group Protect Rural Placer expressed concerns about the proposed expansion of Hidden Falls Park. Daniel mentioned that at the next city council meeting, they will consider an ordinance that clarifies the extension of certain WUI fire standards to the historic business districts. Kevin mentioned that the Auburn City Council supported GAAFSC position regarding the proposed General Plan for the Auburn State Recreation Area.

5. Strategic Plan Implementation:

- A. GAAFSC Member Application – Bob Snyder. Council recommended that the Auburn City Council re-appoint Bob for another term on GAAFSC.
- B. Develop Strategy to Strengthen/Expand Firewise Communities. Discussed holding a workshop to find out from current Firewise leaders what they need to support their efforts.

6. Agency and Stakeholder Reports:

- A. Auburn Fire. Chief Spencer reported on fuel reduction work in the Herdal neighborhoods and the opening of the Maidu Fire Station.
- B. Fire Alliance & Firewise. Luana reported on the update of the CWPP, a

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FEMA grant on fire engine ingress and egress, tree mortality efforts and the chipper program.

7. **Roundtable:** Daniel suggested a future agenda item on how residents can harden their homes. Danielle suggested a future agenda item on sending a letter to the Insurance Commissioner.
8. **Adjourn:** 10:30 am.

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